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SUBJECT: MAINICHI ARTICLE ON GOJ-ROK RELATIONS

1. JUNE 20 MAINICHI CARRIED ARTICLE SOURCED TO JAPANESE EMBASSY IN SEOUL UNDER HEADLINE "JAPAN-ROK CONSULTATIONS ON SECURITY URGED; TIME TO DEEPEN POLITICAL RELATIONS." ACCORDING TO ARTICLE, SENIOR JAPANESE EMBASSY OFFICIAL RECOMMENDED THAT ROK-JAPAN MINISTERIAL SCHEDULED FOR THIS FALL TAKE UP SECURITY AND POLITICAL ISSUES "IN DETAIL." OFFICIAL REPORTEDLY NOTED ROK IRRITATION WITH APPARENT JAPANESE APATHY ON SECURITY QUESTIONS AND COMPARED KOREAN ATTITUDE TOWARD JAPAN TO SLUMBERING VOLCANO. OFFICIAL ALSO SAID THAT IN LIGHT OF STRONG DISSATISFACTION OF ROK OVER US WITHDRAWAL PLANS, KOREANS WOULD SEEK ESTABLISHMENT OF "NEW US-ROK SECURITY STRUCTURE."

2. IN CONVERSATION WITH EMBOFF JUNE 21, FONOFF NE ASIA DEPDIR KAWASHIMA STATED THAT MAINICHI ARTICLE HAD BEEN BASED ON BACKGROUNDER RECENTLY GIVEN JAPANESE PRESS BY SOON TO DEPART AMBASSADOR NISHIYAMA. JAPANESE EMBASSY IN SEOUL HAD SINCE CABLED FONOFF TO REPORT THAT MAINICHI REPORTER HAD, IN ADDITION TO BREAKING

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BACKGROUND AGREEMENT, SERIOUSLY DISTORTED NISHIYAMA'S REMARKS. KAWASHIMA SAID THAT WHILE NISHIYAMA HAD PROBABLY MADE STANDARD PITCH FOR BETTER COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN TWO COUNTRIES, IDEA OF "DEEP POLITICAL TALKS" WAS JOURNALISTIC EMBROIDERY. MANSFIELD

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